

Committee of Physical Therapy Minutes

Date: May 6, 2005

Time: 9:20 A.M.

Location: Tennessee Conference Room
Ground Floor, Cordell Hull Building
425 Fifth Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37247-1010

Members Present: Dr. J. Randy Walker, Jr., Chair
Blake Murphy
Brigina Wilkerson

Members Absent: Teresa B. Johnston

Staff Present: Marva Swann, Unit Director
Mary V. Webb, Board Administrator
Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney
Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager
Lea Ann Phelps, Disciplinary Coordinator

With a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 9:20 A.M., by Dr. J. Randy Walker, Jr., Chair

Office of General Counsel (OGC)

Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney, advised the Committee of the Conflict of Interest policy and for anyone who had not signed a form to please do so.

Ms. Armstrong, reported that there are currently two open cases pertaining to the Board of Occupational and Physical Therapy Examiners. One case involves a Physical Therapist Assistant and one case involves an Occupational Therapist Assistant.

Office of Investigations

Lea Phelps Disciplinary Coordinator, presented the following two cases of Orders of Compliance to the board:

Glendalyn Fodra, PT, appeared before the board and had proven that she has complied with all of the provisions that the board had previously imposed upon her. A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion carried.

Pamela Parra, PTA, appeared before the board and had proven that she had complied with all of the provisions that the board had previously imposed upon her. A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson, the motion carried.

Disciplinary Report – Lea Phelps reported that there are currently one Physical Therapy Assistant and four Physical Therapist being monitored.

Investigative Report – There are currently six open complaints in the Office of Investigations.

Discussion

The use of portable machines to do finger sticks for the purpose of determining INRS and protimes:

Laura Turk, PT from Baptist Homecare wanted the board to adopt a policy which would allow Physical Therapists to finger stick patients. Ms. Armstrong stated that Board should not take any action at this time and Sunshine this topic for the August board meeting.

Ethics and Jurisprudence Course:

Dr. Cathy Hinton of the TPTA, would like for the board to initiate the Ethics and Jurisprudence course as a provider. Dr. Walker would like a rulemaking change to revise the current rules.

Applicant Interviews/File Reviews

Deborah Doan – a motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Ms. Doan for a license. The motion carried.

Vicki Rubino – A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Ms. Rubino for a license. The motion carried.

Kenneth M. Brown – A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Mr. Brown for a reinstatement of his license once the board had received proof that he had completed 20 hours of CEUs and 100 hours of supervised with a licensed PT. The motion carried.

Melody Key – A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Ms. Key to sit for the PTA exam. The motion carried.

Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2005 board meeting. The motion carried.

Legislation

Jerry Kosten, Rules Regulations Manager presented the Committee with a roll call vote for a rulemaking hearing which was held on April 18, 2005 regarding the following:

- A. Mandatory criminal background checks for Physical Therapy new applicants
- B. Revision of continuing education requirement error for PTA's, Rule 1150-1-.12 3(b)2 and unacceptable activities for continuing competence, Rule 1150-1-.12 7(a) through 7(d).

Dr. Walker, Ms. Wilkerson and Mr. Murphy were all in agreement by saying "aye" when their names were called.

Mr. Kosten went over legislative bills with the committee that are pending and also the bills that have passed.

TNPAP – Mr. Harkreeder from the Tn Professional Assistance Program, reported that there are currently three Physical Therapist Assistants being monitored by their program.

Dr. Walker wanted to know if the Committee should restrict individuals licenses that go through TNPAP. Ms. Armstrong stated that the Committee can tailor those licenses as the Committee issues them.

Remediation

Anthony Bowers – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to accept the remediation, provided that Mr. Bowers send proof of completion 20 hours of clinical

observation. The motion carried.

April Clark – A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to accept the remediation, provided that Ms. Clark submits proof her clinical observation hours to the board. The motion carried.

Leslie Nobles – A motion was made Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve Ms. Nobles' remediation, provided that Ms. Nobles does not cancel her separate room accommodations. Ms. Nobles must also submit proof of clinical observation documented. The motion carried.

Credential Review

Eliza Garcia – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the credential evaluation and allow Ms. Garcia to take the PT examination. The motion carried.

Kelly Martin – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded Mr. Murphy to approve the credential evaluation and allow Ms. Martin to take the PT examination. The motion carried.

Olivia Pomedá – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the credential evaluation and allow Ms. Pomedá to take the PT examination. The motion carried.

Toshá Zaverchand – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve Ms. Zaverchand a full PT license. The motion carried.

Amorita Jones – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to grant a provisional license to Ms. Jones. The motion carried.

Sherilee Howie – A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy not to accept the credential evaluation submitted on behalf of Ms. Howie because, she did not achieve the Type 1 certificate from FCCPT. The motion carried.

Administrative Report

Ms. Webb reported that as of April 2005 for Physical Therapists there were 3571 active licenses, 801 retired licenses, 1864 failed to renew licenses. Physical Therapist Assistants there were 1971 active licenses, 269 retired licenses and 443 failed to renew licenses.

Financial Report

Ms. Webb presented the financial report which indicated that the Committee had a cumulative projected surplus as of June 30, 2004 of \$1,203,433.74.

Ratifications

A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the new licenses and reinstatements. The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.